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CINCINNATI, MONDAY MORNING, AUGUST 29, 1859.

PRICE ONE CENT.

Arrivals of Trains.

INDIANAPOLIS & CINCINNATI—9:40 A. M.; 3:35 P. M.;
9:55 P. M.
CINCINNATI, HAMILTON AND DAYTON—7:45 A. M.; 10:47
A. M.; 6:40 P. M.; 10:10 P. M.
LITTLE MIAMI—7:30 A. M.; 1:30 P. M.; 7:15 P. M.; 10:45
P. M.
MAINTA AND CINCINNATI—10:30 A. M.; 9:15 P. M.;
MIO AND MIAMI—7:15 A. M.; 2:00 P. M.; 10:1
CINCINNATI AND LEXINGTON—10:30 A. M.; 7:05 P. M.

Departures of Trains.

INDIANAPOLIS & CINCINNATI—5:50 A. M.; 12:00 M.;
3:00 P. M.
CINCINNATI, HAMILTON AND DAYTON—5:00 A. M.; 8:00 A. M.;
Sandy, 6:30 P. M.; Accommodation, 6:30 P. M.;
Little Miami, 11:30 P. M.
CINCINNATI, PITTSBURGH AND BELLAR, 6:30 A. M.; Colum-
bia Accommodation, 6:30 P. M.; Sandy, 6:30 P. M.;
CINCINNATI AND LEXINGTON—6:25 A. M.; 2:30 P. M.

News and Gossip.

General William Walker has been
elected a member of the Order of Sons of Malta.

Later news from Hayti announces
that the report that President Giffard was to be
invited to become Dictator, is a falsehood.

The Providence Journal says there are
"a great many lovely women at Newport."
Very likely. But there are a great many more
at home.

The Clarksville (Tenn.) Chronicle
has the honor of Hon. John Bell for the Presi-
dency in 1860.

The General Grand Chapter of Royal
Arch Masons of the United States will meet in
Chicago next month.

Mrs. Bliz, wife of Signor Bliz, died
in Brooklyn on Saturday evening, and was
buried on Monday.

The drought in New Hampshire is
extremely severe. In some places there has
been scarcely any rain in six weeks.

The Great Eastern is advertised to
leave for Portland early in September. Rates
of passage, port of departure, and other ar-
rangements, were to be speedily announced.

Voltaire defines a physician to be an
unfortunate gentleman who is every day re-
quired to perform a miracle, namely, to re-
concile health with intemperance.

A second crop of strawberries is being
raised in portions of Pennsylvania. The
berries are said to be excellent. Obedient
vines, those.

CITY RAILROADS IN NEW ORLEANS.—Judge
Eggleston, of New Orleans, has rendered his
decision in the city railroad injunction case,
dissolving the injunction and leaving the city
authorities free to go ahead with the enterprise.

FREE TRADE IN FRANCE.—Foreign journals
say that the French Emperor intends to open
the ports of France to the free introduction of
cotton, coal, iron and other articles largely
consumed in the country.

Some one says that young men edu-
cated in the East, rather than the head, are
most likely to succeed with the fairer sex at
Newport; that is those who are open to mar-
riageable convictions. Their affections can
be walked into.

A boy about five years of age, a son of
Mr. Eben Knowlton, of Boston, has con-
tracted the disease of the glanders by climb-
ing in the stall where a horse affected with
disease had been kept.

A man in Oswego, named S. Gardner,
announces that on Friday, (weather permitting)
he intends making the attempt to walk on the
water one mile out on the lake. He will then
leave for Syracuse to walk across the Onondaga
Lake.

A Rochester journal says that Blondin
realized \$1,500 from his last exhibition at
Niagara, and that he has probably made
\$5,000 this season in rope-walking over the
great river.

It is said of Park Benjamin, the lecturer,
that being invited on the Sabbath to attend
Henry Ward Beecher's Church, he replied that
he never went to any place of amusement on
Sundays.

Two firms at Worcester, Mass., have
manufactured two thousand and two hundred
mowing-machines within the past year, which
sold for about two hundred and thirty thousand
dollars.

The true secret of success in business
of almost every kind is through the agency
of the press, and therefore the proprietor of
a widely-circulated and extensively read
daily journal may be considered the patron
of his advertisers.

During the rain storm while De Lave
was crossing Genesee Falls, last week, an
elegantly dressed lady coolly removed her
bonnet and deliberately fastened it underneath
her skeleton skirt; after the storm was over
the bonnet reappeared, as good as new.

The new Custom House of Chicago is a
splendid building. It is three stories high.
The lower is devoted to the Postoffice; the
second to the Custom-house, and the third to
the U. S. Courts. It is built of Illinois marble,
of a cream color. It will cost \$450,000.

Chief Justice Taney, of the United
States Supreme Court, is in the 83d year of his
age. His eight associates in the court, with
one single exception, are all three score years
and ten, and some of them considerably exceed
that number.

HORSES IN KENTUCKY.—A correspondent from
Woodford County, Kentucky, says that the
thoroughbreds now in training in that State are
more numerous than ever before, and that Red
Oak is moving like a buck. Arnold Harris
and the Holton Mare are both broke down and
gone.

NOTED RUPIAN KILLED.—The Bonham
(Texas) Era states that Bill White, a well-
known desperado of Northern Texas, was
overaken a few days ago, in company with a
Cherokee Indian, with whom he had been en-
deavoring to kill one of his pursuers.

Pennsylvania having sold its canals
and railroads, is reducing its State debt at
the rate of \$1,000,000 a year. New York,
holding on her public works, finds her-
self growing deeper and deeper in debt,
with a decreased revenue, and a sad financial
prospect ahead.

The number of visitors at Saratoga
has been unusually great this season. The
arrivals have averaged over a thousand daily
for the past six weeks, and at present the
hotels are overcrowded. It has been the most
successful season which the Springs has ever
experienced.

A RIVAL OF BLONDIN.—A few days since,
according to the Columbia (Penn.) Democrat,
Mr. Theodore McD. Price was conveyed to the
island opposite Epsytown, in a boat, when he
ascended a tree, to which the ferry wire was
attached, and walked the wire across the Sus-
quehanna, a distance of one thousand two
hundred feet, and fifty feet above the water,
with a balance pole, performing the feat in
twelve minutes, with the wind blowing a strong
gale and the wire swaying to and fro.

John A. Washington's Life at Mount Vernon.

That eminent F. F. V. patriot, Mr. John
A. Washington, will have consultations in
leaving his home at Mount Vernon, besides
that of pocketing a quarter of a million dollars
for himself and heirs. If this picture, by a
correspondent of the New York Express, of the
way he was bothered and bored by visitors be
correct, life there has certainly been trying to
a gentleman of his refined tastes and sensitive
disposition. No wonder that his generosity
failed before such constant hordes:

A home here has been no sinecure either for
Mr. Washington or the ladies of his household.
There are hardly less than from fifty to a hun-
dred visitors daily. Some of them come hun-
gry, thirsty and drunk, making their pilgrimages
a mere frolic and dissipation. They roam over
the plantation like beasts of prey, rather than
as decent, well-conducted people. Not long
ago some of these persons, wearing the sol-
dier's uniform, even went so far as to endeavor
to steal the very dinner from the family on its
way from the kitchen, in a building adjoining
the dining-room, and it became necessary to
put it under guard. Others go into the kitchen
like so many hungry dogs, and lay violent
hands upon everything they see and fancy. I
am sorry to hear and believe all this even as
an excuse for the unpleasant exclusion from
what otherwise might be a general welcome to
the public at large. The innocent, however,
have to suffer for the guilty, and a good many
go away cursing the owner and occupant for
shutting his doors on the faces of all visitors.
But this is an egregious error. "There are
tricks in all trades but ours." Only the very
best flour is labeled by the name of the mill
where it is ground. Inferior flour is branded
Corinthian Mill, New Mill, or some other mill
that is owned by the man of the moon. All
these practices are known in the corn ex-
change as well as at the mill, but to us poor
consumers, who buy a barrel of flour once a
quarter, it may not be uninteresting to know
how the best family flour is branded upon it.
Between \$15,000 and \$16,000 in gold coin.
Feeling it to be unsafe to keep so much money
about the house, and doubting the honesty of
banks, the fortunate gold hunter concluded to
deposit it in the same bank from which it was
drawn. Looking around he finally discovered
an eligible place to hide it, and accordingly did
so. Being very suspicious he never informed
his friends of his hiding place. His mother
insisted upon knowing, and at her repeated
solicitation, he at last promised to take the
money up to his hiding place, taking her along
the night long the spot. Unfortunately,
however, the man went out that day riding a
young and fractious horse, which becoming
frightened, threw him off, and broke his neck.
Of course, no one can tell where the money is.
Great numbers of persons have been searching
for it, but up to the present time unsuccessfully.
—*Manchester Herald.*

Branding Flour.

The editor of the New York Examiner has
been sojourning in Rochester, where he visited
one of the large flour mills, and was initiated
into the mysteries of branding flour. He
says:

Branding to us poor outsiders has been a
course of a good deal of mystery. In our sim-
plicity, we have supposed that a brand was a
true indication of the place where the flour
was ground, and the wheat it was made from.
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A Most Singular Occurrence.

We were told the other day of a most strange
event which occurred a few days ago in the
north part of this county. It seems that a man,
whose name we did not hear, recently returned
from California, where he had been for several
years. His sojourn there had been quite profit-
able. A week or two ago he reached home,
with between \$15,000 and \$16,000 in gold coin.
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The Transfiguration of Memory.

In Mrs. Stowe's new novel of "The Minister's
Widow," the following beautiful passage
occurs:

As there was an hour when the fishermen of
Galilee saw their Master transfigured, his
mantle white and glistening, and his face like
the light, so are there hours when our whole
mortal life stands forth in celestial radiance.
From our daily lot falls off every weed of care,
from our heart-friend every speck and stain of
earthly infirmity. Our horizon widens, and
blue, and amethyst, and gold touch every ob-
ject. Absent friends and friends gone on the
last journey stand once more together, bright
with an immortal glow, and like the disciples
above them, we say, "Lord, do not part from
here!" How fair the wife, the husband, the
absent mother, the grey-haired father, the
manly son, the bright-eyed daughter! Seen
in the actual present, all have some fault, some
flaw; but absent, we see them in their perma-
nent and better selves. Of our distant home
we remember not a dark day, not one servile
care, nothing but the echo of its holy hymns
and the radiance of its bright days—of our
father, not his hasty word, but only the full-
ness of his many vigor and noble tenderness
of our mother nothing of mortal weakness, but
a glorified form of love—of our brother, not
one teasing, provoking word of brotherly free-
dom, but the proud beauty of his noblest
hours—of our sister, our child, only what is
fairest and sweetest.

REMARKABLE SPRING.—The Gallatin (Ten- nessee) Examiner says: Colonel James Glover, of the California Overland Mail Company, in- forms us of the existence of a remarkable spring, on his route, two hundred and eighty miles east of El Paso, on the road leading to San Antonio. It is fully one hundred and fifty feet in diameter, and has been sounded to the depth of eight thousand feet without finding bottom. The surface is as smooth as that of a mountain lake. It breaks out, run- ning about three miles, when it disappears, and again six miles distant reappears, forming a stream fifteen to twenty feet deep in many places. It is slightly impregnated with alkali, and contains five varieties of fish. It is called the Leon Hole.

ABSURDITIES IN REAL LIFE.—When the Queen of England, Louis Phillip, and the Duke of Wellington paid a visit to Eton, upon the visitors' book being presented to them, the King of the French, somewhat ungently, took up a pen and signed his name at the top of the page. Etiquette would not permit the Queen to sign her name under any other; she therefore turned over the all but blank leaf, and wrote her name at the top of the next one, and then handed the pen to the Duke. The Queen, now, as formerly, may not speak to a tradesman. We ourselves have seen her stand- ing not a yard away from one, addressing all her inquiries to an equestrian, who repeated to her Majesty all his answers.—*Rail's Diary.*

THE CHOLERA IN ENGLAND.—The London Medical Times sounds out the unwelcome note that the cholera has again made its appearance in England. It has been transmitted, as usual, from Hamburg. The quarantine surgeon has been empowered to board Hamburg vessels at Gravesend, and to remove all suspicious cases to the Dreadnought. Similar instructions have been sent to other ports.

A son of Mr. Daniel W. Bartlett, of Essex, Mass., now about five years old, has within a year been discovered to be entirely blind of one eye, caused by lightning. His mother was instantly killed by lightning three years ago. He stood near her.

Zurich.

Zurich, the place appointed for holding the
Peace Conference at, is the chief town of the
canton of the same name, and is pleasantly situ-
ated at the north-west extremity of the Lake of
Zurich. The city is divided by the river Lim-
mat into two nearly equal parts, of which that
on the right bank is called the Grosse Stadt.
The other—the Kleine Stadt. It is one of the
three cities—Bern and Lucerne being the
other two—in which the Federal Diet of Switzer-
land assembles by turns. Zurich has been
called the Athens of German Switzerland; many
valuable books have proceeded from its presses,
and it can boast of having given birth to many
distinguished men of learning. It is a thriving,
busy town, one of the most commercial and
industrious in all Switzerland, and it may be
said in the respect with Geneva, Basle, and
St. Gall. The population amounts to about
thirty thousand. Zurich is historically re-
markable as the place where the Reformation
commenced in Switzerland, under the guidance
and preaching of Ulrich Zwingli, in 1519, and
the first entire English version of the Bible, by
Miles Coverdale, was printed here in 1535.
Many English Protestants, banished by the
persecutions of the reign of Queen Mary, found
in this town a cordial reception during their
exile. One of the most pleasing features about
Zurich (says Murray's "Handbook of Switzer-
land") is its promenade and points of view.
One of them is an elevated mound, once form-
ing part of the ramparts, and called Cats'
Bastion, now included in the New Botanical
Garden, which is prettily laid out in walks and
shrubberies, and opened to the public without
restriction, a privilege not abused. It com-
mands a delightful view of the town and lake,
and of the distant Alps. Nothing can be more
delightful than the view at sunset from this
point, extending over the milking and populous
shores of the beautiful lake, to the distant
peaks and glaciers of the Alps of Glarus, Uri,
and Schwyz, tinged with the most delicate
pink by the sinking rays. The most prominent
and interesting of the Alpine peaks seen from
this, beginning at the east, are the Sentis, in
Appenzel, Glarnish Dödi, Klariden in Glarus,
Achenburg, Rossberg, and Uri Rothstock.

How to Give a Dinner.

The English public are discussing with
much gusto the art of dining, and two vol-
umes on subjects connected with the table
have lately appeared at London. From one
we quote its directions for a dinner:

Let the number of your guests never ex-
ceed twelve, so that the conversation may
continually remain general. Let them be so
collected to their occupations are different,
their tastes similar, and with much popular
contact, that it is not necessary to go through
the tedious form of introduction. Let your
dining-room be brilliantly lighted, your cloth
perfectly clean, and the temperature from
sixty-two to sixty-eight degrees Fahrenheit.
Let the men be clever without presumption,
the women amiable without conceit. Let
your dishes be limited in number, but each
excellent, and your wine first-rate. Let
the forms vary from the most substantial to
the most light; and for the second course, the
strongest to the most perfumed. Let every-
thing be served quietly, without hurry or
hustle; dinner being the last business of the
day. Let your guests look upon themselves
as travelers who have arrived at the end of
their journey. Let the coffee be very hot.
Let your drawing-room be spacious enough
to allow a game to be played, if desired, with-
out interfering with those addicted to chat-
ing. Let the guests be retained by the
pleasant company, and cheered with the
hope that, before the evening is over there is
something good still in store for them. Let
the tea be too strong; the hot toast well
buttered. Let no one leave before eleven,
but let every one be in bed by midnight.

Why Do Steam Boilers Explode?

At the recent meeting of the Association for
the Advancement of Science, Mr. Hyatt, of
New York, presented what we believe to be the
true cause. He presented the following table,
showing the rapidity with which pressure is
doubled by only a slight increase of heat: At
212 degrees of heat, water begins to boil; at 365
degrees iron becomes of a red heat:

212 deg. of heat 15 pounds to square inch.
365 " " 60 " " " "
481 " " 120 " " " "
504 " " 180 " " " "
527 " " 240 " " " "
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